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(SBU) Jeremy Armon, designated DFID point of contact on Partnership for Democratic Governance (PDG) matters, informed us August 24 that the UK does not plan to become a founding member of the PDG. Armon cited the volume of issues DFID is already working on as the reason, but said DFID looks forward to seeing how the initiative develops and wished it success. He said DFID will continue to keep in touch with the PDG as it moves into the implementation phase. Armon responded after circulating Ref A points and Ref B draft Declaration of Principles within HMG.

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